

CHAPTER 461

COUNTY SEAT.

AN ACT in relation to County Seats.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Re-location.*
State of Iowa, That whenever the citizens of any organized
 county desire the re-location of their county seat, they may
 petition their county court respecting the same.

§ 2. Such petition shall designate the place at which the *Petition.*
 petitioners desire to have the county seat re-located, and
 shall be signed by none but legal voters of said county.

§ 3. Such petition shall be presented at any regular term *Presented.*
 of the county court, an affidavit shall be made before the
 Judge of said court by at least one credible witness that the
 signers are, as the affiant verily believes, legal voters of said
 county.

§ 4. Upon petitions being presented at any term of the *Vote.*
 county court, signed by at least one-half of all the voters in
 the county, as shown by the last preceding census, asking
 for a re-location of a county seat at any one place therein
 named, said court shall order that at the next April election
 holden thereafter, a vote shall be taken between said design-
 ated place and the existing county seat, and shall require a
 constable in each township of the county, to post notices of *Notice.*
 such order in three public places in such township at least
 ten days before such election, and shall also publish a notice
 of such election in some newspaper, if there be one published
 in the county, at least three weeks before said election.

§ 5. Twenty days notice of the presentation of any peti- *Presentation.*
 tion provided by this act, shall be made by one insertion in
 a weekly newspaper, if there be one printed in the county,
 if no paper be therein printed, by posting the same at four
 public places in the county, one of which shall be on the
 court house door in said county.

§ 6. The ballot shall designate that it was cast for the *Ballots.*
 county seat, and name the place voted for.

Conducting. § 7. Such election shall be conducted as elections for county officers.

Removal. § 8. If the point designated in the petition obtain a majority of all the votes cast, the county Judge shall make a record thereof and declare the same to be the county seat of the county, and remove the records and documents thereto as early as practical thereafter.

Remonstrance § 9. Nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent the people of a county who are opposed to a re-location of the county seat remonstrating against it.

Take effect. § 10. This Act to take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Republican.

I certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Republican, on the 21st day of January, 1855.

G. W. McCLEARY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 47.

STATE ROADS.

AN ACT to locate certain State Roads therein named.

Commissioners.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That C. L. Clauson, of Mitchell county, George P. Slayton, of Fayette county, and William C. Thompson, of Alamakee county, are hereby appointed commissioners to locate and establish a State road, commencing at Clear Lake, in Cerro Gordo county; thence to Shibboleth, in said county, thence to the south end of Rock Grove, and to St. Charles, in Floyd county; thence to Chickasaw, in Chickasaw county; thence to intersect the military road from Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin, to Fort Atkinson, Iowa, at a point between Postville and Fort Atkinson, a few miles west of John C. Porter's, on said military road.

From Clear Lake to military road.

Commissioners.

§ 2. That Josiah Goddard, of Winneshiek county, John Blunt, of Floyd county, and Allen Mulliner, of Clayton county, are hereby appointed commissioners to locate and